Boxing 2

Swimming 1

Wrestling 1

Table Tennis1

More players are likely to qualify. The final number of sportspersons will be known after all qualifying rounds are over.

(c) There is no separate budget allocated for Beijing Olympics However, preparations for winning more medals in all major international events, including the Beijing Olympics, is an on-going process and is based on the Long Term Development Plans (LTDP) prepared by the National Sports Federations NSFs. Government provides assistance to the NSFs for various activities such as holding national/international sports events in India, the participation of Indian sportspersons/teams in international sports events abroad, the engagement of national and international coaches and the procurement of equipment and consumables.

To address the specific coaching/training requirements of identified medal prospects, individual sportspersons are also being assisted directly by the Ministry for purchase of equipment, provision of scientific support and training and participation within country and abroad, under the 'Scheme relating to Talent Search & Training' and through the 'National Sports Development Fund'. The details of amount spent by Government under these schemes during the last three years are given below.

(Rs. in crores)

Sl.No.	Name of the Scheme	Amount released in		
		2005-2006	2006-07	2007-08 (till Jan'08)
1.	Scheme of Assistance to NSFs	38.67	34.08	43.08
2.	Scheme relating to Talent Search and Training	0.50	2.8	3.0
3.	National Sports Development Fund	0.48	0.96	0.88 released (Total sanctioned 2.20 cr)

Development of sports in Karnataka

1549. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of NGOs engaged in the development of sports in the State of Karnataka to whom financial assistance has been given by the Centra Government during 2005-06, 2006-07 and so far during 2007-08;

(b) the quantum of assistance given in each case, indicating the specific area of sports in which each organization is engaged, year-wise; and

(c) to what other use they are being diverted in case total funds meant for the programme are not being utilize fully?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS: (a) to (c) During the last 3 years *i.e.* 2005-06 to 2007-08 (till date), the Ministry has released Rs. 12.50 lakhs to a Karnataka NGO, namely, The Manik Prabhu Shikshan Sansthan, Manik Nagar for the construction of a Swimming Pool (Cat-II) at Manik Nagar, Distt. Bidar (Karnataka).

Central Sports Institutions

1550. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details about Central Sports Institutions situated in various States which are controlled and funded by Central Government;

(b) the number of vacancies of "coaches" in each Institute, State-wise; and

(c) the actions that are proposed to fill up vacancies of coaches all over the country?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports have not opened any sports institutions. However, the Sports Authority of India (SAI), which is fully funded by the Central Government, runs 126 National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC) Centres, 19 Special Area Games (SAG) Centres, 57 SAI Traning Centres (STC), 18 Army Boys Sports Company Scheme (ABSC) Centres and 10 Centres of Excellence (COX), where sportspersons are given training in different sports disciplines. State-wise details are given in statement (*See below*). Besides, SAI has an Academic Wing at the Netaji Subhas National Institute of Sports, Patiala.

(b) and (c) Around 500 posts of coaches in different sports disciplines are lying vacant. Based on a report submitted by the Staff Inspection Unit (SIU) in July 1998 recommending large-scale reduction in the sanctioned strength of the Sports Authority of India (SAI), including coaches, the Ministry made it incumbent on SAI to seek prior approval of the Government before the creation of any post. However, as an interim measure, SAI has been permitted to engage coaches on a contract basis, whenever required, and SAI is doing so.

Statement

Details of various Sports Institutions in various state controlled and funded by Central Government

Sl. No.	State(s)	National Sports Talent Contest	Special Area Games	SAI Sports Training Centres	Army Boys Company	Centre of Excellence
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Andaman Nicobar	01	01	—	—	—
2.	Andhra Pradesh	05	—	05	02	—
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	01	01	—	—	—
4.	Assam	04	02	02	—	—
5.	Bihar	04	03	01	01	—